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In re Patent Application of)
KLEIN et al)
Application No.: 09/155,982)
Filed: October 9, 1998)
For: MEANS FOR DETECTING BACTERIA)
OF THE TAYLORELLA)
EQUIGENITALIS SPECIES AND)
THEIR BIOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS)

Group Art Unit: 1645

Examiner: V. Portner

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for ☐ \$55.00 (248) ☐ \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is _____.
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$355.00 (279) ☐ \$710.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted ___, on ___, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- ☒ No additional claim fee is required.

☐ An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims		MINUS =		× \$18.00 (103) =	
Independent Claims		MINUS =		× \$80.00 (102) =	
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$270.00 (104)					
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					

☐ A claim fee in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

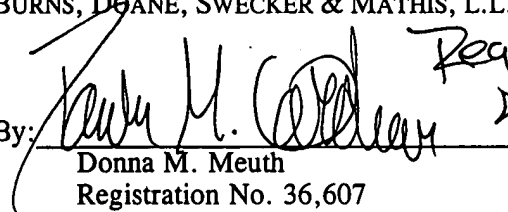
☐ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated May 22, 2000, which time for response was restarted by the paper mailed August 9, 2000 to include the cited references, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

In the specification, at page 1, between lines 3 and 4, please insert as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

C7
The instant application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §371 to PCT

Application No. PCT/FR97/00649, filed April 11, 1997, and under 35 U.S.C. §119 to

French Application No. 96/04623, filed April 12, 1996.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION--.